

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



May 28, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman,

SUBJECT: Adoption of Resolution Honoring Susan Howell

Attached is a draft resolution honoring Susan Howell.

Susan Howell is retiring from the Department of Education after 37 of service.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring Susan Howell, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated May 28, 2007.

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RESOLUTION

SUSAN M. HOWELL

WHEREAS, Susan M. Howell began her tenure with the Michigan Department of Education in 1970 in the Office of School Management (now known as Grants Coordination and School Support); and

WHEREAS, in 1972 Susan's unit was assigned to Safety and Traffic Programs with responsibility for Pupil Transportation and Driver Education; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Susan was assigned as the Executive Secretary to the Director of School Support Services; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Susan was assigned as a Department Analyst, for the Office of School Support Services, where she was the contact for all school construction issues, as well as pupil transportation issues; and

WHEREAS, as the Department's Pupil Transportation Analyst she served for seven years as the state-wide source for expert advice, interpretation, and guidance on all matters related to bus driver safety, bus driver training, and pupil transportation related issues; and

WHEREAS, as the Department's Pupil Transportation Analyst she positively affected over 17,000 dedicated bus drivers as they transported over 850,000 students on a daily basis during the school year; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 Susan Howell was assigned with the School Nutrition Training and Programs Unit and worked with the many sponsors of the National School Lunch Program to complete the annual report requirements for application/renewal and verification; and

WHEREAS, Susan Howell has shared her gift of writing poetry to recognize milestones and accomplishments that have occurred for many of her colleagues over the years; now, therefore, it be

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education expresses its deepest appreciation and gratitude to Susan Howell for the dedication she has shown throughout her career at the Michigan Department of Education; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the State Board of Education wishes Susan Howell a retirement that holds satisfying and fulfilling experiences and accomplishments.